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VIA ECF AND FIRST-CLASS MAIL

United States Magistrate Judge Ronald Ellis United States District Court for the Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

> Re: D'Arcy Quinn v. Altria Group, Inc., et al., 07-CV 8783 (LTS)(RLE)

Dear Judge Ellis:

On behalf of D'Arcy Quinn, the plaintiff in the above-referenced action, and with the consent of counsel for defendants Altria Group, Inc. and Philip Morris International, Inc. we are writing to provide you with a status report concerning the Rule 26(f) conference held by telephone on July 7, 2008 and amended thereafter by e-mail exchanges. Counsel for the parties have agreed as follows:

- 1. On August 29, 2008, the parties will exchange Rule 26(a) disclosures.
- 2. On September 8, 2008, the parties will serve initial interrogatories and initial document requests.
- 3. On September 15, 2008 at 10 a.m., the parties will confer again by telephone to schedule additional discovery, including a period for depositions, expert discovery and a discovery cut-off date.

Respectfully submitted,

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